

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Thomas Weisel

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Irvine, California

RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Please enter the following amendments in response to the Non-Final
Office Action mailed on May 12, 2010.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 4 of this paper and include
attached replacement sheets and annotated sheets showing changes.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which
begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.